Ohio Residential Broadband Expansion Program Authority





Department of Development

Ohio Residential Broadband Expansion Program Authority Meeting Minutes February 18, 2022

Opening:

The meeting was called to order by Peter Voderberg, Chief of BroadbandOhio and designee of Director Mihalik, as chair at 2:02pm.

Roll Call:

Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

Present:

Carolyn Kuruc – Deputy Director of InnovateOhio and designee of Lt. Governor Husted Peter Voderberg

William Coley

William Goodenough

Excused:

Gregory Sample

December 2021 Meeting Minutes:

The Chair asked if there was discussion regarding the meeting minutes from the December 2021 meeting. There was no discussion.

Subject: December 2021 Meeting Minutes Approval

Motion: Mr. William Coley

Second: Mr. William Goodenough

All authority members were in favor of approving the December meeting minutes.

Welcome:

Welcome comments were provided by Chairperson Peter Voderberg, designee for the Ohio Department of Development Director Lydia Mihalik.

Meeting Overview:

Peter Voderberg, Chief of BroadbandOhio and designee of Director Mihalik provided an overview and purpose of the meeting, to rule on the challenges submitted per the process provided in Ohio Revised Code as a part of the grant program.

Review of Challenges:

Amy Elbaor, Deputy Chief of Grants and Special Projects gave an overview of the number of challenges received and of how the recommendations were provided in three sets and what those sets meant.

Set 1 Challenges- Agreed to Challenges:

The authority chair gave an overview of how challenged applicants were given the opportunity to amend their application and remove any challenged addresses. The applicants that took this route are agreed-to challenges. Since the challenged applicant agreed to the challenge and voluntarily removed the challenged addresses, the challenge is most and staff is recommending that these challenges be rejected

Subject: Set 1 Challenges

Motion: Mr. William Goodenough Second: Deputy Director Kuruc

Roll was called and the motion passed.

Votes:

Chairperson, Peter Voderberg- Yes Deputy Director Kuruc- Yes Mr. William Coley- Yes Mr. William Goodenough- Yes

Set 2 Challenges- Rejected Challenges

The authority chair provided an overview for what it meant for a challenge to be rejected and provided examples of the type of evidence that was provided.

Subject: Set 2 Recommendations Motion: Deputy Director Kuruc Second: Mr. William Goodenough Roll was called and the motion passed.

Votes:

Chairperson, Peter Voderberg- Yes Deputy Director Kuruc- Yes Mr. William Coley- Yes Mr. William Goodenough- Yes

Set 3 Challenges- Recommended Challenges

The authority chair provided an overview of what recommending challenges means. There was discussion regarding what the terms suspended, and partial suspension mean.

Subject: Set 3 Recommendations Motion: Deputy Director Kuruc Second: Mr. William Goodenough

Roll was called and the motion was passed.

Votes:

Chairperson, Peter Voderberg- Yes Deputy Director Kuruc- Yes Mr. William Coley- Yes Mr. William Goodenough- Yes

Next Steps:

The Chair discussed the subject and timeframe of the upcoming meetings in March.

Closing Remarks:

Closing remarks were provided by the Chair. The meeting was adjourned at 2:19 PM.